



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of  
Takaaki SHIRAI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2852

Application No.: 10/751,414

Examiner: R. WALSH

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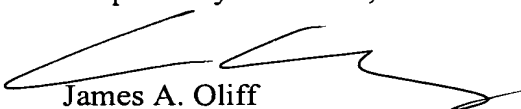
**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

During a February 7, 2006 personal interview, Applicants' representative reviewed the arguments presented in the Amendment filed December 12, 2005 and the reasons for allowability. Examiner Walsh indicated that the December 12, 2005 Amendment overcame the claim rejections in the August 11, 2005 Office Action. Examiner Walsh further indicated that the claim amendments in the December 12, 2005 Amendment were not sufficient for a second rejection to be final. Thus, the second rejection will be a non-final rejection.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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